



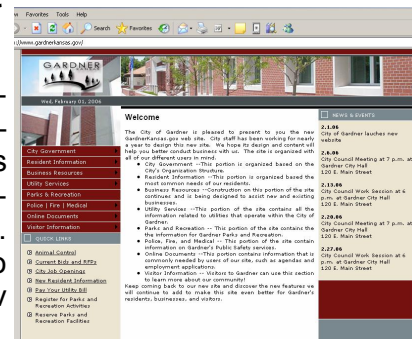
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Utility News

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Wondering how the City's new website will affect paying your Utility Bills online?

New Website set to debut February 2006 — The new address is www.gardnerkansas.gov and will be on-line February 1, 2006. The process for paying your utility bills online will NOT change and will remain the same. Additionally, your account number and PIN will NOT change. However, to access the City's website you will have to visit the new web address at www.gardnerkansas.gov beginning February 1, 2006.

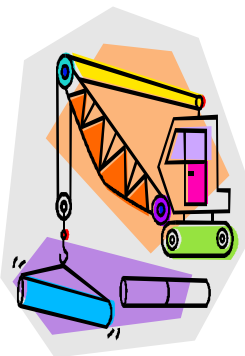


Like the process previously used, once you access the new website at www.gardnerkansas.gov click the Pay Your Utility Bill or go to Utility Services Menu. From there you will be able to enter your utility account number and PIN, then click Sign On. You can check the amount of the last bill and when payment was received under Account Information. Consumption Report includes color graphs to compare utility use by billing cycle going back several years.

Wastewater Improvement and Development

The City of Gardner will begin accepting bids in late February for the Northside Lift Station and force main along 167th Street which will be located near 167th and North Center Street. Lines for this project were laid before the construction of the road along N. Center Street. After an award of the contract, the construction will begin in April 2006 and is estimated to take nine to ten months to complete. The lift station will serve over half of the City.

Design work continues to move forward to convert the aging Bull Creek Wastewater Treatment facility located off of Meadowbrook Circle, north of the railroad tracks, to a lift station that will connect to the Kill Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Bull Creek Wastewater Treatment plant originally served all of Gardner, however, due to population growth the new Kill Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant was opened near 159th Street and Waverly Road in 2002. The Kill Creek Treatment Plant can now serve 25,000 people with expansion capability up to a population of 75,000. The Bull Creek facility is in need of major repairs or replacement, and after a study, it was determined that replacing the Bull Creek Plant with a lift station was the best long term solution. This is anti-



Water Improvement and Development

Hillsdale Water Treatment Expansion

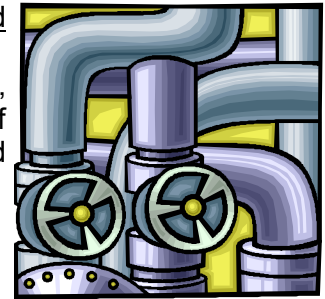
In 2005, the City began the expansion of the Hillsdale Water Plant from a 2 million gallon to a 4 million gallon a day plant. The clearwell concrete is about 60% complete and the clarifiers and filters are formed. Concrete pours began in late January and the project is scheduled to be substantially complete by summer 2006 in time for peak demand. The

project's maximum guaranteed cost for the project is \$7.359 million and will serve Gardner's growing need for water.



Water Main Extension Complete Along Moonlight, 167th, Madison and Center Streets

Installation of the 12" water main extension along Moonlight Road, north of Madison Street is nearing completion. This is part of a series of improvements that will create better pressure for the water system and complete loops that are needed for improved circulation.



Kill Creek Water Tower and Water Line Extension

The City of Gardner will receive bids in late February for the construction of a new water tower near 159th and Waverly. This new water tower will increase water storage capacity and improve water pressure. Additionally, final designs will be completed in early February for a new water line connecting from North Center Street and 167th to 159th and Waverly. This water line loop the new water tower with the rest of the City's water system to provide better water clarity.

Adult Softball Spring League "USSSA" Rules will apply

League consists of a minimum of 5 week, 10 game, double-header leagues. Player must be 18 years and older. All games will be played at Westside Sports Complex. Top 2 teams in each league will receive awards

League Fee: \$300

Fees must be paid before deadline, only one check, money order or cash payment for entire amount will be accepted. Teams will be accepted on a first come first serve basis until leagues are full.



Program	Start	Day/Time
Co-ed Rec.	April 9	Sun. 4:00-8:00 p.m.
Co-ed Comp	April 9	Sun. 4:00-9:30 p.m.
Men's D	April 10	Mon. 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Men's D	April 12	Wed. 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Women's D	April 12	Wed. 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Registration Deadline: March 31

Scrapbooking - Friday Night Crops

Pictures tell a thousand words and we all know that these days it's hard to find time to sit down and put together a nice, personalized scrapbook. Whether you are just getting started in scrapbooking, or you're already a scrapbooking expert, this group is for you! There will be plenty of room to spread out and work on your projects. Share and receive creative ideas with others, make some friends and see how much you can get done! Bring your dinner, snacks and drinks with you. From beginners to advanced, all skill levels are welcome.



Dates: March 10, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4 and September 1

Time: 6:00 p.m. to Midnight (come and go as you please!)

Location: Senior Citizen's Building

Fee: \$5 per Crop

Registration Deadline: The Thursday before the Crop

Introduction to Tae Kwon Do

This 6-week class is a basic introduction to Tae-Kwon-Do which is the Korean martial art that promotes discipline, focus, self-control and physical fitness. Students will be introduced to self-defense techniques, basic sport sparing techniques, as well as kicks and punches. They will also learn traditional forms and customs.

Date: April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Age: 6 years and older

Location: Senior Citizen's Building

Fee: \$50

Registration Deadline: March 29



Easter Egg Decorating Party

At Easter time, the humble egg finally gets its moment in the spotlight. Pulled from the darkness of the fridge, it's no longer merely a fragile breakfast food: It's a blank canvas ready for a kid's artistic touch. So we at Gardner Parks and Recreation decided it was time to give the egg the attention it deserves, with an entire party devoted to egg decorating! This party is for children in grades K-6. Parents can drop off their child for the allotted hour while we show them how to turn ordinary eggs into works of Easter art. The kids will do much more than just dipping and dyeing! Each child will receive a free goodie bag, 4x6 Easter portrait and the chance to win prizes!



The eggs are waiting, so get crackin'!

Maximum 15 participants per session.

Date: Saturday, April 8th

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for Grades K-1

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for Grades 2-3

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. for Grades 4-6

Fee: \$15- Registration fee includes apron, decorating supplies, a 4x6 portrait and a dozen eggs per child.

Location: Senior Citizen's Building

Registration Deadline: March 31

C.E.R.T: Community Emergency Response Team Training Course

This Nationally Certified Course teaches CERT teams to perform essential life-saving functions while awaiting the arrival of professional emergency responders following a disaster. This course will teach you about disaster readiness, helping people, safety rescue and doing the greatest good for the greatest number of people. Through training, citizens will learn how to manage utilities and put out small fires; provide basic medical aid; search for and rescue victims safely and organize volunteers to be effective. This 10 week course is instructed by Certified CERT Trainers. Upon completion of all unites of the CERT Program, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) certificates will be issued.

Date: April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1, 8

Time: 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Age: All Ages

Place: Senior Citizen's Building

Fee: Free

Registration Deadline: April 3



How to Register

Online at
www.gardnerkansas.gov

Mail or stop by the
Gardner Parks and Recreation
Customer Service
Center located in the front
lobby of City Hall.
120 East Main
8:00 am to 5:30 pm

Call us at (913) 856-0936



Youth Baseball, Softball and T-Ball



<u>Program</u>	<u>League</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Boys T-Ball	Gardner	5-6	\$35
Girls T-Ball	Gardner	5-6	\$35
Girls Softball	Gardner/Spring Hill	7-8	\$45
Girls Softball	Gardner/Spring Hill	9-10	\$50
Girls Softball	Gardner/Spring Hill	11-12	\$55
Girls Softball	Tri-County	13-15	\$65
Boys Baseball	Gardner	7-8	\$45
Boys Baseball	Gardner	9-10	\$50
Boys Baseball	Big VI	11	\$55
Boys Baseball	Big VI	12	\$55
Boys Baseball	Big VI	13	\$65
Boys Baseball	Big VI	14	\$65
Boys Baseball	Gardner/Olathe	15-16	\$65

Attention Coaches:

New and Returning Coaches must submit an Application Form by

(Note: The Big VI League consists of Spring Hill, Wellsville, Baldwin, DeSoto and Eudora)

The division that your child plays in is based on their age as of July 31, 2006 (Boys) and January 1, 2006 (Girls).

Registration Deadline: March 10th

Late Registration will be accepted to fill up teams only, and will be charged a \$15 late fee.

Registration form may be returned with your utility bill payment, either by mailing to 120 E. Main, or by depositing them in any of the City Utility Bill Utility Payment Drop Boxes. Please include a separate payment for your registration.

Parent's Name: _____ Phone/Home _____ Work _____

Players Name: _____ D/O/B: _____ Male / Female

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Circle Division: Boys T-Ball Girls T-Ball 7&8 Girls 9&10 Girls 11&12 Girls 13-15 Girls

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Shirt Size: _____ YS (6-8) _____ YM (10-12) _____ YL (14-16) _____ AS (18-20)

_____ AM (22-24) _____ AL (26-28) _____ AXL (30-32) _____ AXXL (34-36)

Pants Size: (for Baseball and Softball 9 & 10 and up) Youth inseam from 13 to 21-3/4"; Adult inseam from 22-1/2" to 24-1/2"

_____ YXS (20-22) _____ YS (24-26) _____ YM (27-29) _____ YL (30-32) _____ YXL (34-36)

_____ AS (28-30) _____ YM (32-34) _____ YL (36-38) _____ YXXL (44-46) _____ YXXXL (48-50)

The following statement must be completed by at least one parent / guardian:

We, the parents / guardians of _____, do certify that all the information is correct and accurate. We hereby give our approval for our child's participation in any and all activities associated with the Gardner Parks and Recreation Youth Baseball, Softball, and T-Ball Program. We assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation including transportation to and from activities: and do hereby agree to hold harmless sponsors, participants, and all persons associated with the Gardner Parks and Recreation Department directly or indirectly. We further understand that the uniform issued to my child is the property of Gardner Parks and Recreation (unless specified otherwise) and that we are responsible for returning it to the Team Coach within one week of completion of the season.